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Applicant(s) : Yanagi et al. Group Art Unit: To be assigned
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For : CLONED GENOMES OF INFECTIOUS HEPATITIS C VIRUSES AND USES THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

(Q2) On page 1, line 4, after the recitation of "This application", insert -- is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/014,416 filed January 27, 1998 which --.

On page 9, line 8 after recitation of "sequence" and prior to the recitation of "of a H77C clone" insert -- (SEQ ID NO:2) --.

On page 9, line 9 after recitation of "amino acid sequence" insert -- (SEQ ID NO:1) --.

On page 9, line 29 after recitation of "Figure 7" insert -- A through 7D --.

(Q3) On page 10, line 20 after recitation of "HVR1" insert -- (SEQ ID NOS:28, 30, 32, 34, 36-38, 41, 43 and 45) --; at line 21 after recitation of "HVR2" insert -- (SEQ ID NOS:29, 31, 33, 35, 39, 40, 42, 44 and 46) --.